

State of Minnesota
County of Dakota

District Court
1st Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. CA-2021-01659
Court File No. 19HA-CR-21-1401

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

ATRAVIUS JOSEPH WEEKS DOB: 12/23/1988

7600 Cedar Ave. So. Apt. #10
Richfield, MN 55423

Defendant.

COMPLAINT

Order of Detention

The Complainant submits this complaint to the Court and states that there is probable cause to believe Defendant committed the following offense(s):

COUNT I

Charge: Murder in the 2nd Degree (With Intent) (Not Premeditated)

Minnesota Statute: 609.19.1(1), with reference to: 609.11.5

Maximum Sentence: 3-40 Years

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 06/21/2021 to 06/22/2021

Control #(ICR#): 21002116

Charge Description: On or about June 21, 2021 - June 22, 2021, in the County of Dakota, Minnesota, ATRAVIUS JOSEPH WEEKS, did cause the death of a human being with intent to effect the death of that person or another, but without premeditation and at the time of offense, the Defendant or an accomplice did use or possess a firearm.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On June 22, 2021, at approximately 1:15 a.m., law enforcement officers ("officers") responded to a report of a violation of an Order for Protection at an apartment complex in Belle Plaine, Minnesota. The 9-1-1 caller ("Witness 1") informed officers that her former boyfriend, ATRAVIUS JOSEPH WEEKS, DOB: 12/23/1988 ("Defendant"), was pounding on the walls outside her building. Witness 1 reported that Defendant had a gun and that she believed she would die if Defendant was able to get inside the building. During the 9-1-1 call, Witness 1 told Dispatch she had just received a message from Defendant in which he indicated he had shot himself.

When officers arrived at the apartment complex, they learned Defendant had arrived in a silver Audi but had just fled on foot. Officers located the silver Audi in the parking lot. They observed a significant amount of blood inside the vehicle and a 9mm ammunition casing on the front passenger seat. Officers observed blood splatter outside the vehicle which led to a utility room on the far side of the building with a recently damaged door handle. The blood trail continued past the utility room to the back entry of the apartment building. Officers observed that the key card access reader had been pulled away from the wall. Surveillance video was subsequently obtained and showed Defendant attempting to enter the building.

Officers contacted and spoke to Defendant by phone, during which he agreed to return to the apartment complex parking lot. While walking towards the parking lot, officers observed Defendant carrying a firearm. Defendant complied with their commands to drop the firearm which was later identified as a Glock 9mm handgun. Defendant's forehead and clothing were covered in blood. Defendant told officers he had shot himself in the head. While officers were treating Defendant's wound and waiting for medics to arrive, Defendant said, "I just killed my best friend." Defendant further stated the victim was outside of a daycare facility in Lakeville and provided a description of the location. Defendant admitted that about an hour prior he had shot the victim 7 times. When asked for a name, Defendant responded "Cortney Henry." Witness 1 later informed officers that on June 16, 2021, Defendant told Witness 1 that Henry and he had broken up.

Officers were immediately dispatched to a daycare facility located in Lakeville, Dakota County, Minnesota, matching the description provided by Defendant. In the parking lot, officers located a

deceased female lying on her back and nine shell casings. The victim was subsequently identified as^{6/24/2021}
Cortney Grace Henry, DOB: 04/03/1992. Henry appeared to have been shot multiple times including in the
left leg, thigh, stomach, and neck. Officers interviewed several neighbors in the vicinity who reported
hearing multiple gunshots around midnight.

SIGNATURES AND APPROVALS

Complainant requests that Defendant, subject to bail or conditions of release, be:
(1) arrested or that other lawful steps be taken to obtain Defendant's appearance in court; or
(2) detained, if already in custody, pending further proceedings; and that said Defendant otherwise be dealt with according to law.

Complainant declares under penalty of perjury that everything stated in this document is true and correct. Minn. Stat. § 358.116; Minn. R. Crim. P. 2.01, subds. 1, 2.

Complainant

Scott Frame
Police Officer
9237 183rd Street W
Lakeville, MN 55044
Badge: 4877

Electronically Signed:
06/24/2021 09:12 AM
Dakota County, sframe

Being authorized to prosecute the offenses charged, I approve this complaint.

Prosecuting Attorney

Mary C. Russell
1560 Hwy 55
Hastings, MN 55033-2392
(651) 438-4438

Electronically Signed:
06/24/2021 09:04 AM

FINDING OF PROBABLE CAUSE

From the above sworn facts, and any supporting affidavits or supplemental sworn testimony, I, the Issuing Officer, have determined that probable cause exists to support, subject to bail or conditions of release where applicable, Defendant's arrest or other lawful steps be taken to obtain Defendant's appearance in court, or Defendant's detention, if already in custody, pending further proceedings. Defendant is therefore charged with the above-stated offense(s).

SUMMONS

THEREFORE YOU, THE DEFENDANT, ARE SUMMONED to appear as directed in the Notice of Hearing before the above-named court to answer this complaint.

IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR in response to this SUMMONS, a WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST shall be issued.

WARRANT

To the Sheriff of the above-named county; or other person authorized to execute this warrant: I order, in the name of the State of Minnesota, that the Defendant be apprehended and arrested without delay and brought promptly before the court (if in session), and if not, before a Judge or Judicial Officer of such court without unnecessary delay, and in any event not later than 36 hours after the arrest or as soon as such Judge or Judicial Officer is available to be dealt with according to law.

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ORDER OF DETENTION

Since the Defendant is already in custody, I order, subject to bail or conditions of release, that the Defendant continue to be detained pending further proceedings.

Bail: \$
Conditions of Release:

This complaint, duly subscribed and sworn to or signed under penalty of perjury, is issued by the undersigned Judicial Officer as of the following date: June 24, 2021.

Judicial Officer

David L. Knutson
Judge of District Court

Electronically Signed: 06/24/2021 09:49 AM

Sworn testimony has been given before the Judicial Officer by the following witnesses:

**COUNTY OF DAKOTA
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

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LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER RETURN OF SERVICE
I hereby Certify and Return that I have served a copy of this Order of Detention upon the Defendant herein named.

Signature of Authorized Service Agent: